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SUBJ: PRE-BRIEFINGS FOR US REPRESENTATIVES TO NATO MEETINGS HELD UNDER

THE AEGIS OF CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS (CNAD)
AND NATO ARMAMENTS GROUPS

SECSTATE FOR EUR/RPM SECDEF FOR ODDR&E AND ISA CNO FOR OP-98F
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1. MISSION BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL IF US REPRESENTATIVES TO MEETINGS HELD UNDER THE AEGIS OF SUCH ACTIVITIES AS CNAD, NATO NAVY ARMAMENTS GROUP (NNAG), NATO AIR FORCE ARMAMENTS GROUP (NAFAG), NATO ARMY ARMAMENTS GROUP (NAAG), AND TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON AIR DEFENSE (TSG/AD) WERE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE CURRENT EMPHASIS IN NATO ON FORCE IMPROVEMENT, BURDENSARING AND SPECIALIZATION. THESE TOPICS MAY BE RAISED, IMPLICITLY OR EXPLICITLY, BY WELL-VERSED REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER NATIONS TO THESE MEETINGS. THE US REPRESENTATIVE NOT ONLY SHOULD BE TECHNICALLY COMPETENT BUT ALSO SHOULD BE CAPABLE OF DISCUSSING HIS SUBJECT WITH UNDERSTANDING OF THE PERTIENT OVER-ALL USG POLICY AND OBJECTIVES SO AS TO PRECLUDE CONFIDENTIAL

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POSSIBILITY OF INADVERTENT AND EMBARRASSING CROSS-THREADING.

2. ACCORDINGLY, MISSION RECOMMENDS THAT US REPRESENTATIVES TO SUCH FORA AS CNAD, NNAG, NAFAG, NAAG AND TSG/AD BE GIVEN

AN OVERVIEW IN WASHINGTON OF THE CURRENT USG POLICY RELATIVE NOT ONLY TO US COOPERATION IN FOREIGN (NATO) RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, EVALUATION, PROCUREMENT AND SALES BUT ALSO THE THRUST OF NATO EFFORTS CONCERNING FORCE IMPROVEMENT, BURDENSARING AND SPECIALIZATION. RUMSFELD

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